

2 killed in Ulster

ESOPUS — Two Ulster County men were killed early Tuesday when their cars collided on Route 9W, state police reported.

The victims, both of whom were driving alone, were identified as Peter Simpson, 33, of Old New Paltz Road, Highland, and Richard Zumpino, 44, of Ulster Park.

Police said Simpson was traveling north on 9W at about 3:20 a.m. when he apparently lost control of his 1978 Chrysler Cordoba and swerved sideways into the southbound lane. Simpson's car collided with a southbound 1987 Chevrolet El Camino driven by Zumpino.

Both victims were pronounced dead on arrival at Benedictine Hospital in Kingston.

Simpson, a local resident for all of his life, was employed as an auto mechanic at the West Park Service Center in West Park.